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President Pete's Report

Our post "Street Fair - De- Brief" was a most worthwhile exercise it help us to build on planning and delivering a cracker of a Fair for next year . Plus it helps us to prepare to make the POPE'S BIG DAY OUT - SAUSAGE SIZZLE for WORLD YOUTH DAY to become another Rotary success story.



Our next Club meeting will hopefully have along David Murphy from Ryla.

As this will be my last President Pete's Report" , I would like to especially thank Chris O'Brien for his tireless efforts to get RIM out each week.

I have certainly enjoyed my year as your President and in closing I wish to just briefly reflect on some of its highlights which will be captured more fully in the Annual Report which is being prepared so brilliantly by Peter Tugwell, President Elect with support of this year's Board.

A REFLECTION

Through the fine collaborative efforts of our Club Members and our Community Partners, we have in all avenue's of "Service" , achieved our core goals.

The most notable highlights being :

- The "REV UP YOUR ROTARY" District Conference 2008.
- The Epping Street Fair - By raising \$8,000 for the Rotary Youth Driver Awareness Program.
- Supporting the "SHACK" to fund its local youth outreach programs.
- The "Golden Oldies Ferry Boat" cruise for our age care seniors.
- The excellence shown in the Pride of Workmanship Community Awards.
- The supreme altruism of the Club Members and the Community to give so generously to Rotary's "Shelter Box" campaign to help deliver, in no uncertain terms the most absolute and unfettered relief aid program to those communities in such desperate need in Burma and China. Who were so devastated by the force of nature . Truly a **"GREAT DEMONSTRATION IN HOW ROTARY SHARES"**.
- Clean Up Australia - Our Club's "ENVIRO PROJECT" to invoke a community awareness into the need to preserve the fragile Eco - System of Terry's Creek.

The Epping Mission Statement...

"To improve the well being of our community and foster international understanding through action by Epping club members embracing Rotary ideals"

Monday 16 June 2008

In closing, I personally thank my Club Board and Mentors (Paul Clune & John Goddard), for their sterling support and efforts, who whilst being time poor, they have always willingly given their "Service Above Self". So as ultimately to "Make a Difference" to our Community!

Cheers

President Pete

CLUB MEETINGS CALENDAR

EPPING ROTARY MEETS EACH MONDAY 6.15 FOR 6.30

BORONIA GROVE RAWSON STREET EPPING

Apologies to Neil Anderson 9876 1676 by midday Monday

Date	Topic	Avenue of Service	Comment
Monday 9 th June	No meeting - holiday		
Monday 16 th June	RYLA David Murphy	Youth	
Friday 20 th June	Club Changeover Night Boronia Grove	Club	Partners & Guests Night
Monday 23 rd June	No meeting – transfer to 20/6		
Saturday 28 th June	District Changeover Night Hornsby RSL	Club	Partners
Monday 30 th June	No meeting – transfer to 28/6		
Monday 7 th July	Planning Meeting Boronia Grove	Club	First meeting under President Pete II
Monday 14 th July	Planning Meeting Boronia Grove	Club	
Social			
Saturday 28 th June	District 9680 Changeover Baton change: Monica to Tony!	All	Historic change-over. A once-in-a-lifetime not to be missed!

As I hand over the RIM reins to Peter Slattery I would like to particularly thank all contributors and all Club Members for their patience as often RIM has crawled onto the website late on Sunday night. Particular thanks to President Pete, Paul and Stan who are awarded their 100% contribution pin and have played a huge part in ensuring members are kept informed!

Over and out!

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President-Elect's Report

District Training

District training is progressing as follows:

Completed	PETS (Peter Tugwell)
Completed	Administration Training Day (David Stewart, John Fry)
Completed	District Assembly (Peter Tugwell, Olga Scaramuzzi, Pete Slattery, Graham Stevens, Stephen Wright, Virender Kamboj)
Sunday 25th May	Sergeants Training Day (Street fair on - no-one attended)

Sunday 20th July	District Foundation Workshop (Olga Scaramuzzi)
Sunday 3rd August	District PR Workshop (Stephen Wright)
Sunday 17th August	District Membership Workshop (Pete Slattery)

2008/09 Board

Katrina and Anthony Scott will be transferring to the Wahroonga Rotary Club to be nearer to their new house in Wahroonga. We will be sad to lose them both, especially Katrina who was to be our PR Director.

Fortunately Stephen Wright has agreed to step into the PR Director role and we will look forward to having him on the Board for the next Rotary year.

Club and District Changeover Dates Reminder for your Diary

So as not to overload member's time and finances, it is planned to transfer our Monday night meetings as follows around the time of Changeover:

<i>Monday 16th June</i>	<i>Last 2007/08 Club Meeting, at Boronia Grove</i>
Friday 20th June	Club Changeover Night, at Boronia Grove
Monday 23rd June	No Meeting (transferred back to meeting above)
Saturday 28th June	District Changeover, at Hornsby RSL Club
Monday 30th June	No Meeting (transferred back to meeting above)
Monday 7th July	First 2008/09 Club Meeting (Club Assembly), at Boronia Grove

Both the outgoing and incoming Boards are looking for good support at our Club Changeover Night and at District Changeover. Hopefully the above arrangement will make it easier to do this.

2008/09 Club Plan

Our Club Plan is well underway to be ready for the beginning of the Rotary year. It is based on the new Club Leadership Plan and draws material from the Manuals produced by RI to outline the responsibilities of each Director.

We have then gone a step further and outlined the descriptive way in which we will fulfill the responsibilities relevant to our Club so that each Director has a well defined plan for the year of achievable goals.....all words on a page, but I think we will make it happen very successfully.

We will also be taking a new approach in how we decide which projects we will be involved in.

An excerpt from the Club Plan describes the process as follows:

We will choose the Service Projects that we do by

- Projects will be listed either “Above the Line” or “Below the Line”
- Projects listed “Below the Line” are ideas only and we will not necessarily be doing any one or all of the projects
- Projects listed “Below the Line” will comprise a list of “possible projects” made up from projects that we have done in the past at Epping, projects that the District supports, projects that are international and any other projects that we can think of or have heard about, all listed below a line
- Projects listed “Above the Line” will be the projects that we will be doing for the year. The area “Above the Line” will initially be empty
- For a project to move from “Below the Line” (ie. we are not doing it) to “Above the Line” (ie. we will be doing it), the project must have someone in the Club who is interested in it, willing to ‘drive’ it and who will be nominated as the Project Leader

We will set up each Service Project that we choose to do by

- Moving the Project to “Above the Line” in chronological order
- Sharing our “Dream” (a 15 – 30 second job) so we know why we are doing a project
- Setting our “Goal” (a 15 – 30 second job) so we know what our focus for it will be

We will carry out each Service Project that we choose to do by

- Making a “Plan”
- Applying the planning actions listed under Service Projects
- The details for each project (detailed planning steps, budget, risk assessment and review) will be contained in the Project Plan, which we will keep to one or two (max.) A4 pages
- Having enthusiasm for the project

A B O V E T H E L I N E

Projects that we have chosen to do

T H E L I N E

B E L O W T H E L I N E

Projects that we have chosen not to do

There will be a preliminary list of projects on the tables at tonight’s meeting so we can all start thinking about the projects we would like to do.

The first two meetings of the new Rotary year on 7th and 14th July will be an opportunity for the Directors to outline their plans for the year and for us all to set about planning the projects for the year.

Peter Tugwell

Club Changeover Night 2008

Momentum is gathering for Changeover Night with RSVP's going well from members of the broader community.

There is a **real opportunity** to connect with a large number of people who live and/or work locally. We will be able to hear about what they are involved in and what is important to them. They will also be able to hear a little of what Rotary does and what opportunities it can provide for them. The best way to do this will be by **talking and listening at the tables** during the course of the evening. To that end, we will be preparing table seating arrangements so that Rotarians are intermixed with guests....so be prepared to be sitting with some people you may not know....but by the end of the evening I would hope that you have got to know them to some extent and vice versa!

We will also need the following helpers on the night:

- Four (4) welcomers at the door to welcome guests, make them feel comfortable and show them into the room.
- A helper for Libby with the prizes.
- Two (2) helpers to set up tables and the room on the night from about 5.30pm.

Libby has also been going well obtaining vouchers / prizes for us to use for fundraising purposes on the night. Items obtained so far include:

Bridge Climb for 2	(value \$358)
Cafe Topiary	(meal to the value \$30)
Cox's Road Fruit Market	(6 X \$30 vouchers)
Curry Lover's Indian Rest.	(\$30 voucher)
Hair & Beauty Essentials, Epping	(Deluxe Manicure value \$45)
The Heartland Centre	(30 minute remedial massage)
Ryde Aquatic Centre	(5 X Family Pass \$19 each)
Positive Tennis	Tennis racquet and 4 X 1/2 hr lessons (\$380)
Contours, Epping	(2 X 1 month membership)
Pho Sam Noodle House, Epping	(2X \$30 vouchers)

It's not too late to add more, so give Libby a call to let her know what organisation you might be able to obtain a voucher from. We can produce a Changeover Dinner Voucher, which the organisation can fill out. This sometimes makes it easier for them to say YES.

District Changeover Night 2008

Dear Members

The final list of members that have paid me at this time to attend the District Changeover are

- Chris & Sue O'Brien
- Graham & Margot Simons
- Peter & Elizabeth Tugwell
- Paul & Joan Clune
- Peter & Sue Slattery
- John & Joy Payne
- David & Joan Stewart
- John & Vivienne Corney
- John & Margaret Goddard
- Stan Ledger
- Graham & Carol Stevens

If I have missed anyone can they please contact me asap.

John

Youth Exchange

**Email sent to our inbound Youth Exchange Student – Mastaka Moroe (“Masa”)
Masa is due to arrive in Sydney towards the end of July.**

Dear Masataka,

May I introduce myself? I am John Corney, your counsellor at Epping Rotary Club in Sydney Australia. I am 58 years old and my wife's name is Vivienne. We have three children, Andrew (30), Sarah (29) and Laura (23). They all went on Rotary Youth exchange when they were about your age. Also Vivienne and I were members of our District's Youth Exchange Committee for 7 years so we are familiar with the Rotary Youth Exchange program. The photo shows us dancing at Sarah's wedding.

When you know the details of your flight to Australia, please send us an email with the details. We will meet you at the airport.

Epping is part of the Sydney metropolitan area but about 25km from the city centre. It takes about 45 minutes by train to the centre of Sydney. The population of greater Sydney is about 5 million. The population of all of Australia is only 21 million. Epping is located north-west of the city centre.

You will stay with four different families while you are with Epping Rotary Club. They will mostly be quite close to the school you will attend, Epping Boys High School. You can find out more about the school from its web site. The first host family is expected to be the Tugwell family. They will also contact you shortly.

It will be winter in Sydney when you arrive here but the winter is much milder than you are used to. It never snows in Sydney. The coldest day will have a maximum of about 9degC and a minimum of about 3degC. However many houses in Sydney do not have built in heating so you will need to have some warm clothes to wear **inside** the house as well as a warm coat for going outside. The cold weather will be finished by early September.

Vivienne and I live at Manly Beach. It is too far from your school to stay with us during school time but we hope to have you spend a weekend with us or perhaps some time during school holidays.

Here are our contact details.

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Our Rotary Club has not had a student from Japan for about 10 years although Vivienne and I have known many students from the Kanazawa district. We are looking forward to meeting you.

Kind regards, John Corney

PS The email address at yahoo you put in your application bounced. That's why I'm sending this to your father's workplace. Please advise your present email address. John

Email received in response

Dear John Corney

Thank you for giving email to me.

I am sorry that I send email to late.

I am MASTAKA MOROE, Nice to meet you!

My English level is still poor, so I can not speak English as well as.

but I would like to be well my English, I study English very hard now.

I am looking forward to meet you in sydney.

Best regards.

Masa.

As we approach the second half of this year, please think about activities that you may be planning that may be an opportunity to get to know Masa, show him some true Australian hospitality and give him varied experiences during his year with us.

Out and About

World Youth Day. In not to many of the culinary pursuits in which we have been involved, have we had the victuals supplied, as will be the case for our participation in the forthcoming World Youth Day, where, at the local Catholic Church we have the responsibility for feeding Pilgrims attending meetings of this significant event in the life, not only of the church, but of our city and suburb. We understand that all the ingredients, such as sausages, rolls/bread and the like will be supplied to us hopefully, all will be sufficient to satisfy the hunger of each attendee, as it is most unlikely that we, as Rotarians can emulate the biblical **miracle** of the **loaves** and **fishes** on this occasion!

We have a reputation for giving it a go though haven't we?

Family News. We hear that PP John and Vivienne's son Andrew has recently visited from his home in San Francisco.

Andrew is an environmental engineer and works for Advanced Environmental –a subsidiary of Australian Engineering consultants, Lincoln Scott.

Andrew moved to San Francisco two years ago to spearhead the opening of Lincoln Scott's office in mainland USA. Staff has been appointed and he will head up that office for at least two years. Andrew was recently appointed a director of Lincoln Scott and was in Sydney to attend a board meeting and to other business matters. Andrew was our club's Rotary Youth Exchange Student to Belgium in 1996. His interest in environmental and architectural issues stems from his year in that country. Well done Andrew!

The Lure of Train Travel. News is to hand that Wal Dover and Dawn in addition to driving here and there, now appear to enjoy travel by train. Recently, after driving to Brisbane and loading the car on board, off they went on a 1260 kms rail trip to Longreach. Longreach, all will recall is the home of Qantas and the Australian Cattleman's Hall of Fame On the return journey they took opportunity to drive through Emerald, Rockhampton, quaintly named Seventeen Seventy,

Agnes Waters and Bundaberg. Then home after travelling over 5000kms. Later in the year they will be departing with friends for the four day trip to WA on the India Pacific. They plan to stay in Perth for a few days, taking in places of interest and then embark on a tour of the South West of that State, visiting such places as Kalgoorlie, Esperance, Albany, Margaret River and Freemantle. They plan to catch a flight for the return to Sydney -not in the old red eye special we hope!

Challenging Thoughts. The July Membership Conference to be held in Canberra has been the subject of recent articles in RDU. PDG Len Goodman, District 9710 as Chairman of the organizing Committee. In this month's edition he expresses thoughts about issues that will be tackled there, such as: "Where are the returns, the value for money in meeting just to discuss "normal" membership programs and a raft of ideas without looking at root causes of the need for Rotary to promote or perish". He goes on to say "Agree or disagree. Either way, have your say, we will build a new model for Rotary" Strong words! – worthy of further reading, to catch the dynamic of it all.

Anniversaries and Birthdays

Membership Anniversaries

Stephen Wright	June 18	1 Year
Keith Williams	June 19	13 Years
Virender Kamboj	June 25	1 Year

Wedding Anniversaries

Roy and Heather Sadler	June 18
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Birthdays

John Royer	June 22
Gillian Anderson	June 24
John Edwards	June 28

Advance Australia Fair

*Australians all let us rejoice,
For we are young and free,
We've golden soil and wealth for toil,
Our home is girt by sea.
Our land abounds in nature's gifts,
Of beauty rich and rare,
In history's page, let every stage
Advance Australia Fair.
In joyful strains then let us sing, Advance Australia Fair.*

Rotary Grace

*O Lord and giver of all good,
We thank thee for our daily food,
May Rotary friends and Rotary ways,
Help us to serve thee all our days.*